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LB 724A, 752A, 752

SPEAKER WITHEM: (LB) 724A advances. Mr. Clerk, LB 752A.

CLERK: (LB) 752A by Senator Beutler. (Read title.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Withem, members of the Legislature, this...LB 752, you may recall is the license revocation...license suspension bill and the A bill that goes along with it anticipates about \$314,000 in state costs, then goes on to appropriate another \$27,000 in cash funds and \$671,000 in federal funds for fiscal year 1998. And for fiscal year 1999, there are no General Fund or Cash Fund expenditures and about \$290,000 of federal money is appropriated. So obviously, we're dealing with some state money in terms of initial start-up costs, but the preponderance of what we're appropriating are federal funds. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, i'm very strongly opposed to LB 752. I'm going to vote against the A bill on principle, but I'm not going to wage a battle on the A bill. The time to fight will be on the underlying bill; however, I do want to be on record voting against this bill because if I'm opposed as strongly as I am to the underlying bill, there's no way I could vote to spend money on something as atrocious as that bill is, and as it will remain, if I have my way about it. I do think that the way it is drafted now, it is unconstitutional, but probably some money may be spent on it prior to a court making a ruling of the kind that I think will have to be raised...made once the thing is challenged. So, Senator Beutler, I'm not going to battle you this morning on this one.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler, to close.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would simply close by saying I don't need another battle this morning, Senator Chambers, so I'm glad. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The question now before the body then is the